Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* This question was brought to the notice of the Road Board during their investigations and they said that this road was important and necessary. But to make a road in that locality will be impossible with the available finances and so they recomended that the work may be postponed. But since the member only wants to improve the present bund, I shall consider the question.

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon *(Kattur):* With that assurance, I withdraw the motion.

Mr. President : You must make a note of all these assurances you have to carry out.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes, Sir.

Motion by leave withdrawn

Cut Motion No. 6

Delay in completing the Mala-Puthenvelikara Road

***Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar** *(Cheruthuruthi): To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,99,085 for communications,—original works—by Re. 1.*

(The delay in completing the Mala-Puthenvelikara Road).

Sir, the object in tabling this motion is to call the attention of the Government to the delay in completing the Mala-Puthenvelikara Road. I want to know from the Chief Engineer whether the road has been opened to the public for traffic and also whether a culvert has been constructed at the southern end of the road. When I went there in last Medam, I found that that road suddenly ends in a particular place and there is a small canal between that road and Puthenvelikara. No attempt has been made to construct a small culvert which will make that road connect with Puthenvelikara. That culvert is absolutely necessary and I wish to know whether Government have constructed the same and if not, whether they have any idea to do it.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Sir, I inspected the road. A few rectifications have to be done and these are being done. After these works are completed the road will be thrown open to the public. This road will end at the State boundary, and there is a canal which forms the boundary between Travancore and Cochin. The co-operation of the Travancore Government is also necessary in order to complete that bridge work. The Travancore Government have also constructed a road and it has come up to the

* Speech not corrected by the hon'ble member.

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other end of the canal. I suppose, if we negotiate with the Travancore Government, it will be possible to have the bridge also.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Is this a road taken up by the Road Board?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Is there any possibility of making a temporary arrangement?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* During dry whether the canal can be crossed by vehicles. But during the monsoon it will be rather difficult.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* What is the width of the canal?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* The canal, though small, it will be necessary to construct a bridge of 100 feet span. There are heavy floods in that area.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* How long is it since the road has been completed?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* A few days ago I went to checkmeasure it.

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* Will the Government be pleased to take up the matter with Travancore Government?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* Yes.

Motion by leave withdrawn

Cut Motion No. 7

Necessity to take up the Pandikkudi Chellanam Road work.

Mr. B. M. Peter *(Latin Christians-Mattancheri): To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,99,085 for Communications –Original works by Re 1.*

(ചെല്ലാനം പാണ്ടിക്കുടി റോഡു" പണി ഇനിയും ആരംഭിച്ചിട്ടില്ലാത്തതിനെപ്പററി ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിനെ ഉൽബോധിപ്പിക്കുവാൻ).

സർ, അനവധി കാലത്തെ പരിശ്രമത്തിന്റെ ഫലമായിട്ടാണു ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ചീഫ് എഞ്ചിനീയർ അവർകളും റോഡുബോർഡിലെ മെമ്പർമാരും ഈ റോഡിന്റെ അത്യാവശ്യകതയെപ്പററി മനസ്സിലാക്കുവാനിടയായിട്ടുള്ളതു്. അവർ സ്ഥലത്തു വന്നു പരിശോധിച്ചതിനു ശേഷം അത്യാവശ്യം നല്ലപോലെ മനസ്സിലാക്കിയാണു് റോഡുബോർഡിന്റെ പഞ്ചവത്സരപദ്ധതിയിൽ ഇതു പെടുത്തിയതു്. പക്ഷെ അതിലേക്കു വേണ്ടിവരുന്ന സംഖ്യ എറെറവും ഭീമമായ ഒരു തുകയാണെന്നും, അതു തൽക്കാലം ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിനെക്കൊണ്ടു നിവർത്തിക്കുവാൻ സാധിക്കു

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